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Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication No. 2000-180631 discloses that a projected stripe is arranged in a light guide body.

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